
SHIPPING
ARRIVALS.
DOVING, British str. 1,184, E. C.
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S. Ma Heso & Co.
MAT, British str. 1,876, E. J. Hoo-
anghai 4th October, 101—
and

—P. & O. S. N. Co.
R. H. British str. 2735. Japan

Singapore Steamship Co., General
and Carriage Co.
Singapore, British str., 1506, R. Hogg,
Raffles Hotel, General—JANUARY
ON & C.

Singapore, British str., 1498, P. Helms,
Raffles Hotel, 26th October, Gen-
eral—FEBRUARY

Singapore, British str., 1891, Velasco,
12th Sept., Ballast—VICTORIA
SWITZERLAND

General Agent, German steamer, 561, W.
H. Meyer, Tooton 24th Oct., General—
& Co.

Goa, Japanese steamer, 1531, H.
Takasaki 22nd Oct., Coals—M. B.
Takasaki

CLEARANCES
HARBOUR MASTER'S OFFICE.
27TH OCTOBER.

British str., for Singapore.

British str. for Swatow.
str. for Hoikow.
British str. for Foochow.

ARRIVALS.

From Shanghai - Mr.
H. C. Kuan, British str.,
from Amoy,
German str., for Boller.
British str., for
Canton, British str., for
Newchwang.
German str., for Yokohama,
British str., for Canton.

DEPARTURES.

To H. C. Kuan, British str.,
to Amoy,
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ANSENGERS.

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From Shanghai - Mr.
Dr. Lange, Messrs. H. &
Potsd. for Singapore - Mr.

For Sale.—Mr. V. Conzatti. For V.

GERB BOOKED FOR
 HONGKONG 2.
 Mrs. Mortimer steamer Natal
 Sept 30th Mrs. Raleigh
 steamer Guangong From S. de
 Geologian, Miss George, Mr. W.
 & E. Minto Jameson. From
 Byrne
 steamer Area Ho. From London
 E. E. Burdon.
 steamer Plain. From London
 Dr. Mrs. J. K. Sturges
 Mrs. Mortimer steamer Natal
 Oct 4th - Mrs. M. J. Sturges
 Dr. M. Croft. Mr. E. J. Stuart
 steamer Hollandia From London
 Steadman
 steamer Lordmald From London
 adirington. Mrs. Brown. Mr.

Naples.—Mr. and Mrs. H. F.

Martins ~~stamer~~ *Stamer* ~~Stamer~~ *Stamer*
 Oct. 18th.—Mr. de Champagne
 Stamer ~~Katari~~ *Katari* ~~Band~~ *Band* from
 —Miss Derry. From Naples.
 Mrs. Fielding Clarke.
 Martins ~~stamer~~ *Stamer* ~~Stamer~~ *Stamer*
 Oct. 1st.—Mr. and Mrs. M. J.
 is Montelle.

IS AT HOTELS.
 Montelle ~~Stamer~~ *Stamer*
 Mr. J. McCrager
 Mr. & E. Mollins
 Miss Eva a ~~Stamer~~ *Stamer*
 e di M. P. M. Phillips
 Miss Joseph ~~Stamer~~ *Stamer*
 Mr. J. J. B. ~~Stamer~~ *Stamer*
 Mr. Louis ~~Stamer~~ *Stamer*
 Mr. Chas. F. ~~Stamer~~ *Stamer*
 e Mr. & Mrs. Davis
 Mr. Edmund G. ~~Stamer~~ *Stamer*
 Mr. C. Storey
 Mr. G. & Tilden

Mr. Basilio de Velaz
Mr. P. Verdard

Mr. P. W. Willard
Mr. N. A. Wood
Mr. Joe. Woodson
PRIMA HOTEL.
Mr. E. H. Fox Fann
Miss L. Edwards
Mr. A. E. Ewens
Mr. Frank Saxby
Mr. W. E. Shaver
Mr. S. C. Shepherd
Mr. E. T. Smith
Mr. J. D. Spencer
Miss Rosa Swift
Miss Triggs
Capt. George Vlascoe
Mr. W. Walabe
Mr. F. Wentworth
ANGUS H.
Lt. Col. & Mrs. Maloney
Mr. Nicolls
Mr. C. Christian
Mr. Foote
Miss Reading
Mr. A. B. Rose
Miss Ridgely
Mr. Taylor

Mr. and Mrs. Uawin and
children

Mr. E. T. Telford
Mr. A. Wood
Capt. Young
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Mr. Silvio Lopes
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Mr. W. H. Wallace

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DEATH.

At Hongkong, on the 20th October, 1891, ELIZABETH

GRACE NEWMAN, nee deeply loved wife of CHARLES

NEWMAN.

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facilitate reference to blue books and printed

papers as well as unpublished documents. If

it would have been little trouble for Mr.

WHEATHEAD, as His Excellency seems to suggest,

to obtain much of the information he

required from blue books, etc., it must have

been, still less trouble for the Government

servants, who ought to have the various

subjects at their finger ends; and seeing

moreover, that the Public Works Department

is vastly over-manned, the compiling of

the information so far as that Department

is concerned ought not to have necessitated

any of the officers working overtime. In

any case, however, the answers to the

questions are well worth whatever time and

trouble they may have cost in compiling.

As part of the answers to Mr. WHEATHEAD's

questions two returns were laid on the

table, one showing the cost of the public

works mentioned, and the other the officers

now employed in the Public Works Department,

with the salaries and the duties per-

formed by each. The staff numbers about

fifty and the salaries amount to a total of

\$4,799 per month, not including that of the

Surveyor-General, whose office is at present

vacant. Adding on the salary of the Surveyor-

General we get a total of \$5,347, to which

has to be added \$451 for conveyance. From such

a strong and expensive staff the Colony has

a right to look for very good and economical

work. But whatever may be the quality

of the work—and on that ground there

is perhaps little room for complaint—

these certainly appear to be very little

attention paid to economy. The Civil Hos-

pital staff numbers, now approaching com-

pletion, are to cost over \$65,000. So much

has already been said as to this particular

work that it may be considered supererogatory

to refer again to the wasteful

extravagance by which it has been charac-

terized. We cannot pretend to go through

the list of works in detail and say by how

much the cost of each might have been

reduced had it not been Government work;

but to take off something between twenty

and fifty per cent. would probably not be

extravagant.

In connection with the construction of

the Gap Rock Lighthouse the Hongkong and

Whampoa Dock Company offered to place

the steamship Fame at the disposal of the

Government whenever required at so much a

trip; the Government, however, thought it

necessary to purchase the steamer, and it is

now found, so it is reported, that the cost

per trip comes to more than the amount of

the Dock Company's tender, besides which

there is the loss of interest on the cost of

the vessel and the probable loss on her re-

turn at the completion of the work. We

cannot pledge ourselves to the absolute

accuracy of the computation of the relative

cost of voyages made by the Fame as Go-

vernment property and according to the

tender of the Dock Company, but there ap-

pears to be good grounds for believing

that the purchase of the vessel was an

expensive bargain for the Colony. Go-

vernment extravagance, however, exhibits

itself most plainly to the ordinary in-

dividual in the matter of buildings for

most men of business can run their own

office bricks and mortar and form a rough

idea of what the work ought to cost. \$21,000

will probably seem to most people rather a

high figure to pay for the Public Lancers

at the end of Kennedy Road; \$41,000 also

seems an extravagant sum for the Police

Station at Kennedy Road; and any builder

we think would be willing to offer to enter

into a contract to put up the quarters for

the Botanical and Afforestation Depart-

ment for \$12,000 or \$14,000, although

the work is costing the Government over

\$80,000. The present system is, in fact, a

ruinously extravagant one. In the case of

the Victoria College, for instance, it is ad-

mitted that the Government paid at least

\$100,000 more than it ought to have done.

Whatever may be said of such works as

roads, conduits, reservoirs, sea walls, and

the like, with regard to buildings the only

possible plan is for the Government to

proceed on the same lines as ordinary in-

dividuals and avail itself of the services

of private architects and the competition of

the open market. To pay an average excess

of 25 per cent. on the cost of every building

erected, merely for the sake of keeping up

an expensive Public Works establishment,

is a most irrational proceeding.

Messrs. David Sassoon, Sons & Co. inform us

that the steamer Zulu, from Calcutta, left

Singapore for this port yesterday.

The P. & O. steamer Penhaux was released

from quarantine yesterday morning. She will

proceed to Shanghai this morning.

The trial of Charles H. A. W. Mason for the

illegal possession of dynamite will take place

before Chief Justice (Hannan) and a jury at

Shanghai tomorrow (Thursday).

Mr. Clement Allen, of the Colonial Service,

was expected at Shanghai by the C. P. steamer

The Willard Opera Company give their last

performance at the Theatre Royal on the

evening of the 21st inst. The company of

the "Company of Impulse" will be placed on

the boards.

We hear that Mr. E. J. Woodin has been

arrested in Japan. The charge against him is

embodiment of some \$100,000, the money of

the P. & O. Company.

In the Supreme Court in Bankruptcy, yes-

terday morning, before His Honor the Chief

Justice, W. C. Woodin, Esq., the discharge

of a bankrupt was ordered and the bankrupt was

therefore discharged.

The Victoria Recreation Club intends to hold

several four-mile races about the 15th Novem-

ber to enable strokes to pick their crews for

the regatta. The strokes are to be appointed by

ballot, and will pick their crews from the

entries, which close on Saturday at 5 p.m., when

the crews will be picked.

The German gunboat Wolf has left Shanghai

for Hankow, to relieve the Hsiao, the latter

being destined to proceed after a good over-

haul to the coast and winter there. The

place of the Hsiao in the "watch on the Yang-

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